

# Coronary risk tests explained

There is no cause for alarm on the part of parents of Muscatine school children who receive letters their child's blood pressure and blood fat levels, say health officials of the University of Iowa's Muscatine Coronary Risk Factor Program.

During the last school year, the program's health team measured such factors as blood pressure and cholesterol levels in more than 4,000 students, ages 5 through 18, from Muscatine public schools and Hayes Catholic Elementary School.

Results from the free tests have been sent in letters to parents of those students registering normal, mildly elevated or definitely elevated levels of selected risk factors.

"One elevated reading of blood pressure, serum cholesterol or serum triglycerides does not imply there is anything wrong," explains the program's director, Dr. Ronald M. Lauer, Director of the Division of Pediatric

Cardiology at University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City.

"Often when the test is repeated, the reading is normal," he adds. "That's why we are doing a series of tests — to see whether high levels of these factors are consistent in children."

A second round of tests will be given in the schools beginning in January, says Dr. Lauer. In the meantime, he assures parents there is no reason for concern about the measurements taken in school last spring.

Sponsored by the National Heart and Lung Institute, the project is one of three in the country measuring possible risk factors for detecting heart disease in children.

Besides providing health information to Muscatine families, physicians hope the test results will eventually be helpful on a nationwide basis for predicting and preventing heart disease by recognition of its symptoms at an early age.

Parents with question about the program may phone 264-3886 for more information.



(Journal photo by Naida Christian)

## Park board, zoning items are on council agenda

An ordinance providing for continuation of the Muscatine Park Commission will be read for the second time and zoning items considered when the Muscatine City Council meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at city hall.

Prior to the regular session there will be two public hearings on rezoning. At 7 p.m. a hearing will be held on a change from C-1 commercial to R-5 residential, requested by Ralph Morgan, for apartments in the vicinity of Reed and Liberty streets and change from AG to M2, light industrial, at Progress Park.

Other items relating to zoning include consideration of:

Joseph Rauch for the Kacena Corporation to construct a distribution center and oxygen filling plant in Progress Park; A conditional use permit for Greg Johnson of Raritan Industries to convert the

## Comic display at the library

A four-panel display of the Newspaper Enterprise Association's comic strip, "Priscilla's Pop," is on display on the balcony at the Musser Public Library.

The comic, conceived and written by Al Vermeer features Priscilla; her brother, Carlyle; and their dog

former Julia Elizabeth Home, 1119 Mulberry Ave., into a three-plex;

Vacating a portion of Broadway Street, north and west of Hagerman Drive, for Jack Burns.

Oliver. Their children are patterned after Vermeer's own.

Hollyhock, "a small girl with a big brain," and a friend of Priscilla's, is featured in the display at the library. Her interest in libraries is highlighted in the series.

The display will continue through Sept. 25.

Vacating a walkway in the Pearlview; Zoning ordinance amendment for M-1 light industrial ordinance;

The ordinance relating to the park commission is to allow its continuation under the New Home Rule Act. The ordinance provides that membership of the board be increased from three to five members, elected for four-year staggered terms. Present park board members will be permitted to complete their term of office.

Among the resolutions will be considered on wall repair bids in the Urban Renewal project and sale of the Micklitten-Fryberger property on Walnut Street.

## Stopover in Muscatine

Mary Ellen Eckelberg stopped in Muscatine Tuesday on her Great River Ride from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico. Greeting her at the park on the riverfront were, left, Larry Froschheuser, executive vice president of the Muscatine Chamber of Commerce; Max Churchill, chairman of the bicentennial committee; Mrs. Jameson of Jameson Stables, who offered Eckelberg hospitality for the night; and Vic Jones of the Pony Express Riders of Iowa. Eckelberg, who is making this 3,000 mile journey on her own, expressed her gratitude to the various horse clubs and owners who have helped her along the way.

## Woman on horseride visits here

By NAIDA CHRISTIAN  
—Women's editor—

"It has not been as physically exhausting as I thought it would be, but it's a greater mental strain than I anticipated," Mary Ellen Eckelberg said as she stopped in Muscatine Tuesday on her horseback trip from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico.

Eckelberg started her "Great River Ride" the first week in June from Winnipeg in Manitoba, Canada. She expects to reach Pilotown, La., Dec. 31 after having spent Christmas in New

Orleans. This is a distance of 3,000 miles along the Great River Road route.

"There are three reasons for the ride," she explained: "(1) To publicize the need for a river trails corridor; (2) To note the bicentennial in the Midwest; and (3) To show the endurance of the Arabian horse."

Sahnson is a 6-year-old purebred Arabian gelding bay. Eckelberg and Sahnson travel 20 to 25 miles a day, staying at horse farms along the way that offer their hospitality. Tuesday evening they stayed at the Jameson Stable in Muscatine, and while here Mary Ellen visited with her sister, Bernadette Eckelberg. Mary Ellen is originally from Clinton and commented, "It's nice to be riding through my 'home country'."

The gear Eckelberg uses is all hand-made, coming from the southwestern part of the United States. "This type of gear evolved around the turn of the century and it hasn't been improved on since." She has been riding since she was about 7 years old and will continue today on her "Great River Ride."



(Journal photo by Tom Korte)

## United Way kickoff

The Pacesetters division of the Muscatine United Way Campaign was held this morning at Hotel Muscatine. The Pacesetters have a goal of \$235,000 with "Ron's Road Runners,"

(Ron Hansen, unit chairman), reported \$2,000 raised. Other unit chairmen are Harvey Allbee Jr. for "Harvey's Hot Rodders" and Bill McElhaney for "Bill's Wheels." Wayne Gardner gave the president's introductory remarks at today's breakfast, sponsored by

Heinz, USA. Gardner also explained agency needs for 1976, including increased giving to senior citizens, and introduced Larry Solley, campaign chairman. A film was shown by Hoz Vischer and unit chairmen introduced by Nick Ogilvie.



## Ogilvie named as president of golf group

Harold W. Ogilvie, 23 Geneva Dr., was elected Monday at Grinnell as the 1976 president of the Iowa Seniors Golf Association.

The association is composed of 340 golfers, age 55 or above. Five tournaments are held each summer by the association. The first 1976 tourney will be held in late May or early June in honor of Ogilvie's year in office. Other senior events will be held at Iowa City, Oskaloosa, Waverly and Waterloo. Each of the tourneys is expected to attract about 200 golfers.

The association contributes money each year to the Herman Sani scholarship fund to aid prospective young golfers in their college education.

## Thefts reported

Two thefts were reported Tuesday to Muscatine city police.

A tape player belonging to Truman Rhodes, 911 Nebraska St., was stolen from his car Aug. 30, according to police reports. The tape player was valued at \$40.

Lester Kerner, 1307 Wisconsin St., reported the theft of his bowling shoes from a locker at the bowling alley. The shoes, valued at \$32, were stolen during the past week, Kerner told police officers.

Virginia Dietz, 228 W. Fulliam Ave., reported the theft of her son's bike from Iowa Avenue Field. The bike, valued at \$100, had been chained to a fence when it was stolen Monday night.

Donald Reynolds, 311 E. 5th St., reported the theft of a bike

from his porch. The bike was valued at \$75.

City police investigated a car-truck accident Tuesday at 11:25 a.m. at Muscatine Plaza. Drivers were Patrick Sissel, 23, Rt. 4, and James F. Lough Jr., 42, Rt. 2. No injuries were reported.

Extended forecast

Friday through Sunday A threat of showers Friday and Saturday, ending Sunday. Highs mostly mid 60s to mid 70s. Lows upper 40s to around 60 Friday, cooling to mostly 40s Sunday.

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